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Briefing Agenda for United States Delegation  
of the  
US-USSR Railroad Exchange  
16, 17, 18 May 1960

Topics and Discussion Leaders

16 May

1000-1200, Orientation.

Mr. Siscoe, Dept. of State;

Major General Lincoln, Transportation Corps, Dept. of the Army;

Dr. Otto E. Guthe, CIA.

1200-1400, Lunch Break.

1400-1500, The Economy of the USSR -- D/S/RR/CIA.

1. Composition of the Economy
2. Growth of the Economy

1500-1600, The Economics of Railroad Transportation in the USSR -- S/TR/RR/CIA.

1. Relative Importance of Various Forms of Transportation
2. Capital Investment
3. Revenues and Costs
4. Rates and Fares
5. Plans

1600-1700, The Railroad Network of the USSR -- D/G/RR/CIA and S/TR/RR/CIA.

1. Extent of Network
  - a. Mileage
    - (1) Single Track
    - (2) Multiple Track
    - (3) Steam, Electric and Diesel-Operated Trackage
2. The Geography of Railroad Operations
  - a. Location of Geographic Features
    - (1) Grades and Curves
  - b. Location and Density of Natural Resources, Industry, Agriculture and Population
    - (1) Main and Branch Line Development
    - (2) Major Traffic Flows

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0900-1000, The Organization and Labor Force of the USSR Railroads--S/TR/RR/CIA.

1. Ministerial, Regional and Divisional Organization
2. Quantity and Type of Labor Force
  - a. Productivity
  - b. Wages and Salaries
  - c. Personalities

1000-1100, Railroad Operations in the USSR -- S/TR/RR/CIA; ACSI, Dept. of the Army, Transportation Corps and Corps of Engineers.

1. Operations Planning
2. Yard and Terminal Operations
  - a. Rail-Water, Rail-Road Interchange
  - b. Freight and Passenger Stations
3. Main Line Operations
  - a. Length, Speed and Frequency of Train Movement
  - b. Priority of Traffic
4. Motive Power and Rolling Stock Distribution

1100-1200, Communications and Signalling of the USSR Railroads -- Transportation Corps, US Army.

1. Organization of Communications and Signalling Departments
2. Types of Equipment in Use
3. Dispatching Systems

1200-1400, Lunch Break.

1400-1530, Fixed Facilities of the USSR Railroads -- Transportation Corps and Corps of Engineers, US Army.

1. Detailed Description of Following Types of Facilities:
  - a. Main lines
  - b. Branch Lines
  - c. Bridges
  - d. Yards -- Hump and Flat
  - e. Freight and Passenger Stations
  - f. Locomotive Sheds
  - g. Locomotive Repair Shops
  - h. Car Repair Shops
2. Technology

1530-1630, Motive Power and Rolling Stock of the USSR Railroads -- AFCIN, Dept. of the Air Force.

1. Detailed Description of Following Types of Equipment:
  - a. Locomotives
    - (1) Steam
    - (2) Electric
    - (3) Diesel
  - b. Freight Cars
    - (1) Gondola, Box, Hopper, Flat, etc.
    - (2) Special Types

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- c. Passenger Cars
- d. Couplers and Brakes
- 2. Technology

1630-1700, Maintenance and Servicing Practices of the USSR Railroads --  
AFCIN, Dept. of the Air Force; AGSI, Dept. of the Army  
Transportation Corps and Corps of Engineers.  
1. Organization of Maintenance and Servicing  
2. Standards and Practices

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0900-1000, Railroad Construction in the USSR -- S/CST/RR/CIA, D/G/RR/CIA and  
D/S/TR/RR/CIA.

- 1. Construction Plans
- 2. Construction Organization
- 3. Construction Methods and Technology

1000-1200, Railroad Equipment Industry of the USSR -- D/I/PE/RR/CIA.

- 1. Organization of the Railroad Equipment Industry
- 2. Annual Production of Locomotives and Cars
- 3. Types of Locomotives and Cars Produced
- 4. Location and Description of Locomotive and Car Building Plants

1200-1400, Lunch Break.

1400-1700, Summary of Intelligence Gaps on USSR Railroad Transportation.